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SUBJECT: CDU KEEPS GUILLAUME AFFAIR ALIVE

1. ON JUNE 4 THE CDU/CSU OPPOSITION IN THE BUNDESTAG REPEATED ITS CHARGE THAT IT HAD STILL NOT BEEN ADEQUATELY INFORMED OF THE DETAILS OF THE GUILLAUME SPY CASE AND ANNOUNCED ITS INTENTION OF INTRODUCING A MOTION FOR THE CREATION OF A SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF INVESTIGATION.

2. CDU FLOOR LEADER CARSTENS ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT HIS PARTY WOULD NO LONGER PARTICIPATE IN MEETINGS OF THE BUNDESTAG GROUP THAT DISCUSSES SECURITY MATTERS (VERTRAUERSMAENNER-GREMIUM) AS LONG AS WEHNER IS ITS CHAIRMAN. CARSTENS SAID THIS DECISION WAS A REACTION TO A RECENT "INSULTING" SPEECH BY "WEHNER" IN HANNOVER IN WHICH HE ACCUSED THE CDU OF SEEKING TO USE THE GUILLAUME AFFAIR AS GROUNDS FOR A COUP D'ETAT.
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3. COMMENT: AS THE SPD HAS ALREADY INDICATED ITS DESIRE TO SEE A SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF INVESTIGATION FORMED TO LOOK INTO THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE FRG'S SECURITY SERVICES AND THE OPPOSITION PARTIES, IT WILL NOT OPPOSE SETTING UP THE COMMITTEE. IT COULD NOT BLOCK IT IN ANY CASE SINCE 25 PER CENT OF THE BUNDESTAG'S MEMBERSHIP CAN FORCE CREATION OF A SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF INVESTIGATION ANY TIME.

4. NOR IS THE OPPOSITION'S SLAP AT WEHNER A SERIOUS MATTER. WEHNER'S CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE "GREMIUM" AUTOMATICALLY EXPIRES ON JUNE 30, AFTER WHICH PRESUMABLY THE CDU/CSU WILL AGAIN ATTEND ITS MEETINGS. END COMMENT. HILLENBRAND

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